

The DST-NRF Centre in Indigenous Knowledge Systems (CIKS) and Corporate Relations Division

invite you to attend a panel discussion themed:

INTERFACING KNOWLEDGE SYSTEMS IN THE PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION OF BIODIVERSITY IN THE COUNTRY AS WELL AS HERITAGE PRESERVATION

Speakers include:

Miss Bonisekile Nkomo

Provincial Secretary of NUUPATHSA

Dr Petros “Zihlahlazemithi” Cele

GAQA African School of Medicine

Mr Dugmore Mphuthing

SAQA

Professor Hassan Kaya

Director and Research Leader: CIKS

DATE:

30 September 2015

TIME:

12h30 – 14h00

VENUE:

UKZN Westville Campus, B-Block , Level 1 , CIKS , Multipurpose room

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As the world becomes more globalised, Indigenous Knowledge Systems is a critical area that has become very topical over the years, especially when noting matters of environmental consciousness and sustainability.

The importance of protection of indigenous knowledge and biodiversity for community livelihoods within the context of the National IKS Policy will form part of the discussion.

The Department of Science and Technology-National Research Foundation Centre in Indigenous Knowledge Systems (IKS), hereafter known as CIKS, is a virtual centre based on Hub and Spoke model. CIKS is composed of five partner institutions, namely, University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN), North-West University (NWU), University of Limpopo (UL), University of South Africa (UNISA) and University of Venda (UNIVEN). The Hub is provided by the UKZN. Its main responsibility is to facilitate institutional collaboration in IKS research and postgraduate training including sharing of existing resources for knowledge production (research) and capacity building through network and partnerships.

The Centre at UKZN is multi- and trans-disciplinary in terms of research, post graduate training, knowledge brokerage networking and service rendering. The focus areas being IKS curriculum studies and development with an emphasis on emerging quest for Non-Eurocentric paradigms; food security, traditional medicine; bio-diversity and environment management.